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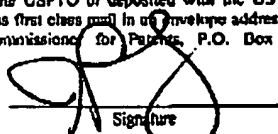
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Applicant:	Rawson	§	Group Art Unit:	2154
Serial No.:	09/779358	§	Examiner:	H Patel
Filed:	02/08/2001	§	Attorney Docket:	AUS9 2000 0516 US1
For:	Polling For And Transfer Of Protocol Data Units In A Data Processing Network	§		

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MARCH 31, 2004**OFFICIAL**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the office action dated March 31, 2004 (the "Office Action"), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 7 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

A petition extending the period for response is being filed simultaneously herewith.